§201.26 Former employees.

(a) No former officer or employee of the Administration, after his or her employment with the Administration has ceased, shall act as agent or attorney for anyone other than the United States in connection with any particular matter in which a specific party or parties are involved and in which the United States is a party or has a direct and substantial interest and in which the former officer or employee participated personally and substantially as an officer or employee of the Maritime Administration through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, the rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise while so employed by the Maritime Administration.

(b) No former officer or employee of the Administration shall practice, appear, or represent anyone, directly or indirectly, other than the United States, before the Administration in any matter for a period of 1 year subsequent to the termination of his or her employment with the Administration in connection with any proceeding, application, request for a ruling or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, or other particular matter involving a specific party or parties in which the United States is a party or directly and substantially interested and which was under his or her official responsibility as an officer or employee of the Administration at any time during the last year of his or her service.

(c) Any person in doubt as to the applicability of paragraph (a) or (b) of this §201.26 to a particular case or to the postemployment activities of a former officer or employee of the Administration may address an application to the Administration for the Administration's consent to appear, stating his former connection with the Administration or predecessor agency, identifying the matter in which he or she desires to appear and describe in detail his or her participation in or responsibility for the particular matter and the specific party or parties involved and the extent, if any, in which the former officer or employee had participated while employed by the Administration. The applicant shall be promptly advised as to his or her privilege to appear in the particular matter.

Separate consents to appear must be obtained in each particular matter.

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Subpart C—Parties (Rule 3)

§201.30 Parties; how designated.

The term "party", whenever used in these Rules, shall include any natural person, corporation, association, firm, partnership, trustee, receiver, agency, public or private organization, or governmental agency. A party requesting official action subject to these Rules shall be designated as "applicant". A party whose petition for leave to intervene is granted pursuant to \$201.78 shall be designated as "intervenor". Only a party as designated in this section may introduce evidence or examine witnesses at hearings.

§201.31 Public counsel.

Assistant General Counsel. Chief, Division of Operating Subsidy Contracts, shall be a party to all proceedings involving operating-differential subsidy contracts. The Assistant General Counsel and his representatives shall be designated as Public Counsel and shall be served with copies of all papers, pleadings, and documents in such proceedings. In addition the General Counsel may designate any member of his staff to serve as Staff Counsel in contract appeal cases or any other proceeding governed by the regulations in this part. Public Counsel or Staff Counsel shall participate in any proceeding to which he is a party, to the extent he deems required in the public interest, subject to the separation of functions required by section 5(c) of the Administrative Procedure Act.

§201.32 Substitution of parties.

Upon petition and for good cause shown, the Administration may order a substitution of parties; except that in case of death of a party substitution may be ordered upon suggestion and without the filing of a petition.